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| In re Patent No. 6,806,622 | : | |
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The above-identified patent has been referred to the Office of Petitions for consideration of a March 23, 2009 "Petition to Revive Abandoned Application Under 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b) Unintentional" that transmitted \$2,130 in an expired patent. The petition is more appropriately being treated under 37 CFR 1.378(c) to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This patent expired on October 19, 2008 for failure to pay the first maintenance fee. Since this petition was submitted within twenty-four months after the six-month grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), the petition is timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

Further, the petition is found to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.378(c) in that petitioner has supplied (1) a statement that the delay was unintentional; (2) payment of the \$490 maintenance fee; and (3) payment of the \$1,640 surcharge.

Accordingly, the 3 ½ year maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204.

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